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For attention of Ms Donophy

Dear Madam

Re: APP/26/00497 At 5 West Street, Havant, PO9 1EJ

Change of Use from Use Class E to Sui Generis for use as a Public House (Pub/Tavern).

Thank you for consulting the Highway Authority on the above planning application. This application seeks approval for the change of use of a Class E to Sui Generis pub/tavern. The Highway Authority wishes to make the following comments.

This site is located along West Street in Havant, subsequently only featuring a pedestrian access and no customer parking. A pub/tavern use would also be unlikely to increase vehicular journeys due to legal restrictions on drivers alcohol consumption, and as there are several existing pubs throughout the surrounding area, it is not considered likely that this site will result in a significant intensification of vehicular journeys in the area. To the rear of the building there is an existing vehicular parking area, able to hold 2 vehicles, accounting for the proposed two members of staff. This quantum does not raise any concerns.

Whilst the Highway Authority does not raise any inherent concerns with the proposal in principle, it is noted that the change of use to a Sui Generis use class could result in potential issues in future planning applications if left unrestricted, as Sui Generis covers a wide range of uses with highly differing highway safety impacts. Given the above, the Highway Authority request that the LPA implements a condition which ensures this change of use class is restricted to use as solely a pub/tavern.

Director of Universal Services
Patrick Blogg

Recommendation

These proposals have been considered and in review are not anticipated to result in a significant impact to the safety or operation of the local highway network. Therefore, the Highway Authority have no objection to the proposals subject to the implementation of a suitable condition to restrict the Sui Generis use to a pub/tavern and for no other purpose including any other use falling within a sui generis classification.

Yours faithfully,

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